

List of Injured.

Noble Tommaso Ascareto, third secretary of the Italian embassy, 1903 California street, at Emergency.

Mrs. Bateman Adams, address not known; serious internal injuries, fractured arm and ankle at Garfield.

Jane Bergman, twenty-one, of 1821 Biltmore street, injured arm.

Mrs. Beuhler, 2407 18th street, broken wrist and other injuries. Crawling out without aid.

Mrs. Hagen Buehler, 121 Porter apartment, at Emergency.

R. J. Bowen, 1949 Biltmore street, badly injured.

Mrs. Mildred (R. J.) Bowen, 1949 Biltmore street, leg broken; at Emergency.

Mrs. Bernard Bresslau, 1792 Columbia road, both shoulders broken; not serious; at Garfield.

Miss Sadie Bresslau, 1792 Columbia road.

Mrs. R. J. Brown, 1919 Biltmore street northwest.

Joseph C. Bruce, 1619 Hobart street, native of Wilford, N. H.; arm is badly gashed; contusions; at Naval Hospital.

Elliott Brumbaugh, 1954 Biltmore street, shock and bruises.

Gilbert Caplan, 1715 18th street northwest, lacerations of head; at Naval Hospital.

M. E. Castney, address unknown.

Mrs. Mary Chalmers, 22 Grafton street, chesty chancs; at Emergency.

C. Clafin, Naval Hospital.

Miss Margaret Cole, 107 East Florence court, lacerated ankles.

James A. Curtin, twenty-one, 2402 Ontario road, of Florence, Mass.

F. W. Dodson, 1339 Montague street, L. H. Dodson, father of above, 1339 Montague street.

J. L. Durland, 2109 18th street, cuts and bruises.

Mrs. J. L. Durland, 2109 18th street, shock, cuts and bruises.

Mrs. Guy Eldridge, 1824 Biltmore street, pinned under debris for five hours; condition not serious; at Garfield.

Miss Mary Forsythe, 1802 Belmont street northwest, suffering from shock; condition serious; at Garfield.

Miss Ruth Fount, 1339 Belmont street, removed from balcony at 7 A. M.

William A. Galloway, 3320 16th street.

Dr. Clyde M. Gearhart, 1808 Columbia road, both legs badly injured; may have to be amputated.

Dr. Gebhard, dentist, severe injuries.

Norman L. Gibson, 1832 Biltmore street, and sister, Mrs. Haley, both suffering from shock and severe bruises; at Garfield Hospital.

Hugh Glenn, 1855 Calvert street.

Moe Gold, 1715 18th street, fractured jaw; at Emergency.

Dr. Castle Lee Hall, 1709 Columbia road, fractured arm and his wife, dislocated shoulder, fractured arm and cuts about head; at Garfield.

Ivy Hamilton; at Emergency.

Dr. E. E. Hayden, 1832 Biltmore, his wife and two children, a boy and girl; condition not serious; at Garfield.

Warren Helphen, 2151 Calvert street.

Mrs. Douglas Hillyer, 2021 Hillyer place, pinned under debris, but not badly injured; at Emergency.

Capt. J. H. Hills, injured legs; at Walter Reed.

Mrs. J. H. Hills, wife of Capt. Hills, T. S. A., and daughter of Col. Greager, T. S. A., badly hurt. Capt. Hills, while imprisoned, directed the rescue of his wife.

M. Fern Hill, address unknown, leg and pelvis fractured. In serious condition at Walter Reed.

Miss Helen Hopkins, 1926 Biltmore street, cuts about the head; not serious; at Garfield.

Margaret John.

Grant Kanston, 8, 2516 17th street, injured about head and body.

John Klenner, musician, 1538 A street northeast.

Mrs. Howard Kneiss, 5201 Colorado avenue; not serious; at Garfield.

Henry T. Lacey, forty years old, an employee of The Star, 1117 K street, fractured ribs.

S. M. Lee, 3521 Newark street, abrasion about head and body.

Clarence Long, thirty-two, 1840 Biltmore street, at Emergency.

John A. Margot, slightly hurt.

Oreste Matillo; at Emergency.

Lillian Masse, Apt. 66, 1740 Euclid street, cuts on arms and head.

John T. McEvelley, 2477 18th street northwest, suffering from shock.

Mrs. Julius McKinney; at Emergency.

Mertle, 2409 18th street, arm crushed off at shoulder.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Michaleas, Woodley apartment, injuries slight.

V. T. Monahan, Wakefield, R. I., pelvis and hip injured.

Scott Montgomery, 1824 Belmont street, was in wreckage all night, now in good shape at Walter Reed Hospital.

John A. Morgan, living with Dr. Paizett, at 1122 5th street, injured knee; at Walter Reed.

H. B. Moses, 1945 Calvert street, head injury, body lacerations; at Emergency Hospital.

Herbert Nash and Mildred Nash, 1301 S street, not serious; at Emergency.

John Nesbit, 1748 P street, fractured leg; at Walter Reed.

Katherine Nesbit, 1748 P street, injured foot; at Walter Reed.

Clarence Newkirk, 1723 Columbia road, removed to Emergency.

Mrs. E. Pasquale, 1710 Euclid street; lacerations and fractured ankle; at Naval Hospital.

Alice Pasquale, 1710 Euclid street; at Emergency.

Henry Pearson, 1802 Belmont street; at Emergency.

Miss Virginia Poole, 1364 Oak street.

Miss Ruth & Pontley, 1654 Euclid street, injured about head; at Emergency.

Mrs. Henry S. Powell, 2400 16th street, bruised and cut, was taken to Emergency Hospital. Henry Wilson and Miss Edith Wilson, her son and daughter, who were in the balcony, were removed to their home. Hamilton Wilson, another son, was at home when the fire engine passed. He went to the scene of the accident and found his mother as she was being taken from the building.

John Prezioso, musician, 435 M street, badly cut head, possible fracture; at Emergency.

Marie Rhea, 1301 Rhode Island avenue; at Emergency.

Belle Rembo, 1928 Calvert street.

Edward A. Sacks, 14 Front street, New York city, leg broken; at Emergency.

Harry F. Sacy; at Emergency.

Walter Lrd Sacy, 2312 20th street northwest.

Mrs. Mattie Schwab, 1810 Calvert street; at Emergency.

E. H. Shaugnessy, Calvert Apts., serious internal injuries, general fracture of pelvis; internal injuries; at Walter Reed.

Mrs. E. H. Shaugnessy, wife of above, serious internal injuries, general fracture of pelvis; internal injuries; at Walter Reed.

Myrtle Shaugnessy, daughter; at Emergency.

Ruth Shaugnessy, daughter, ten years old, both arms broken; at Emergency.

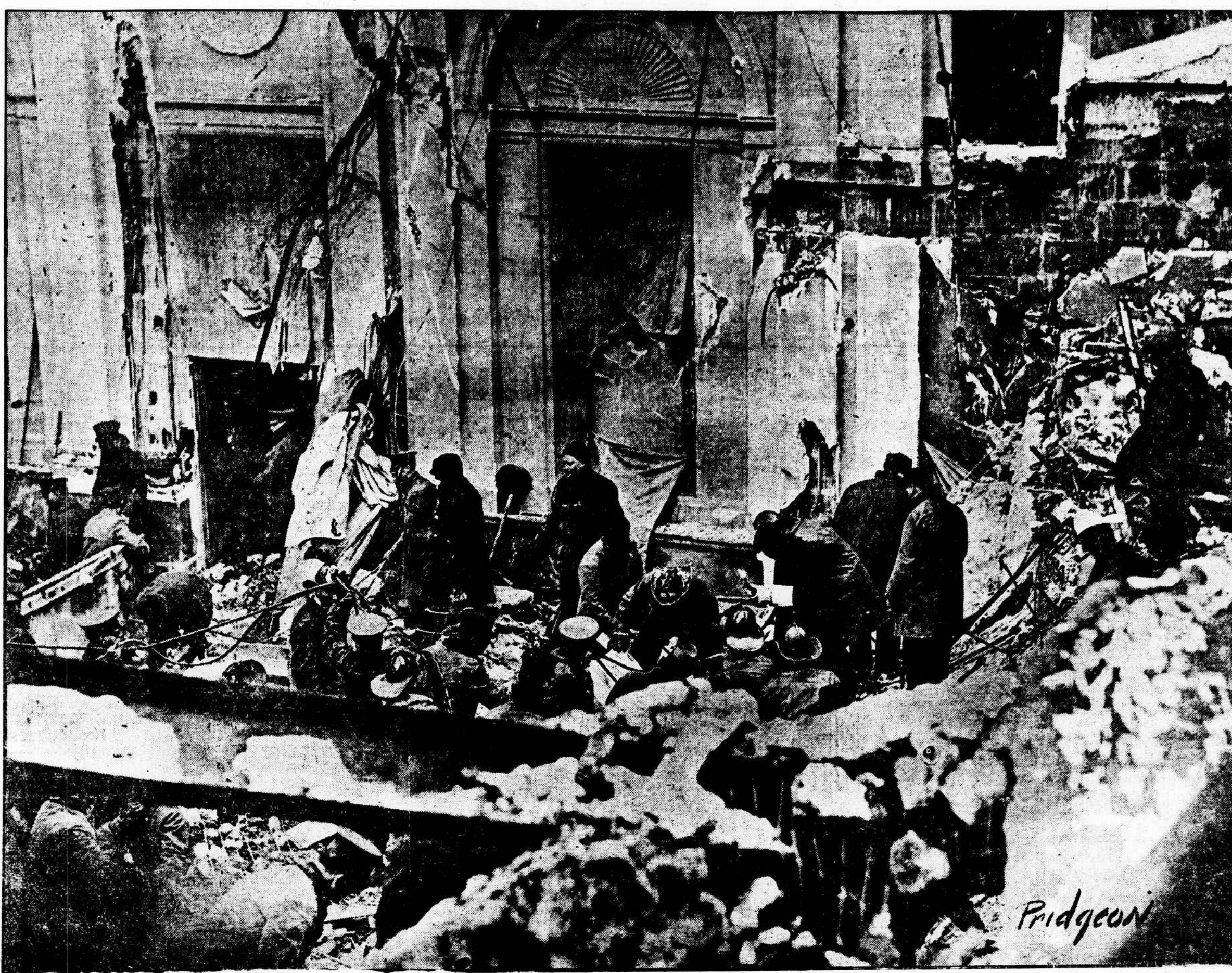
Representative John A. Smithwick of Florida, 1808 Columbia road, fell from balcony and was slightly injured about arms and neck.

Albert R. Sward, 1429 U street, Martha Strayer, 1857 Calvert street, fractured collar bone; at Emergency.

Mrs. Gertrude Taylor, 1805 Hobart street, probable internal injuries.

L. C. Taylor, T. S. A., rescued with slight injuries.

RESCUE WORK PROCEEDING IN MOVIE THEATER



A section of the interior of the wrecked Knickerbocker Theater at 18th street and Columbia road. This picture emphasizes the task of those engaged in the rescue work, because of the great mass of debris.

85 ON GROWING DEATH LIST AS THEATER RUIN IS CLEARED

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First Church of Christ Scientist, Columbia Road and Euclid Street. There the first attempts at identification were made, papers being taken from the pocketbooks and clothing. There, too, friends and relatives came to identify the dead. There were many heart-rending scenes.

Gradually as time went on the crowds increased in the streets near the theater. From early morning thousands of persons were coming and going, many visiting the church in search of relatives and friends.

PERMITS UNDERTAKERS TO AID.

Coroner Nevitt has issued an order permitting undertakers to remove bodies from the scene of the disaster to their establishments.

Undertakers will not be permitted, however, to take bodies from their establishments to private homes until they have been reidentified positively.

The purpose of this order is to avoid the possibility of confusion and to save families from the embarrassment of having bodies taken to wrong houses.

REMARKABLE RESCUE

One of the most remarkable rescues was that of Scott Montgomery, who was taken out at 8:20 this morning, after having been pinned beneath an iron girder for more than eleven hours. He died four hours later at Walter Reed Hospital, however. He was given morphine while under the wreckage by a physician who had to crawl quite a ways to him. Miss Veronica Murphy of 1860 California street, whom Montgomery accompanied to the theater, also is among the dead.

A five-year-old girl was found unhurt, seated between the bodies of two dead women. The child, apparently undisturbed, was so quickly grabbed and carried away to be cared for by one of the rescuers that her name was not learned. Her life evidently was saved by her falling between the seats and the protection given her by the two women who were killed by her side.

MISS UPSHAW INJURED

Miss Caroline Uphaw, niece of Representative Uphaw of Georgia, had one foot cut off and the other so badly mangled that it will have to be amputated. Ten college students, living at the S. A. E. fraternity house at 3320 16th street, have volunteered their services for blood transfusion, which may be necessary to Miss Uphaw's recovery.

Little 8-year-old Grant Kanston is all who can be found of a happy family of five who attended the fateful theater last night. His father, Oskar G. Kanston, his mother and his 9-year-old sister are among the identified dead. Another sister, Dorothy, 15 years old, is listed among the missing and is believed to have perished. The Kanstons, who lived at 2516 17th street, recently came to Washington from Chicago. Mr. Kanston was employed at the Bureau of Valuation of the War Department.

COMPANIONS DIE, SHE ESCAPES.

Miss Ruth Postley of 1654 Euclid street was among others to have a miraculous escape. Both her companions at the theater, Miss Helen Dorch, 1658 Euclid street, and Miss Mary Ethel Atkinson, 2223 18th street, were killed. Miss Postley suffered only slight injuries.

Albert G. Swisher of the Postmaster General's office, who was with her, escaped with only slight injuries.

Guy S. Eldridge, who was a victim of the disaster and whose wife is badly injured, is a brother-in-law of Senator Smoot of Utah. His body was claimed by the senator shortly after its identification.

Among those who gave continued service was Former Commissioner Miss Mabel Boardman, who supervised the activities of the Red Cross. Members of the motor corps of the District Red Cross, headed by Mrs. Charles V. Wheeler, were on the scene early to continuously aid.

Valuable services were rendered in many ways by countless individuals and business houses. Drug stores, restaurants, delicatessen stores and other places of business concerns in the neighborhood aided in every way possible, providing food, drugs, coffee, etc. Miss A. E. Ford, manager of Huyler's branch store on Columbia road, near the theater, worked all night in a silk dress, serving coffee and sandwiches.

Valuable aid also was rendered by the injured and workers at the disaster through the courtesy of the management of the Raleigh Hotel, which furnished hot coffee and sandwiches throughout the entire night. E. L. Weston, manager of the hotel, as soon as he heard of the catastrophe, ordered the hotel staff to prepare quantities of sandwiches and gallons of coffee for the workers and the injured. Trucks conveyed the coffee and sandwiches from the hotel to the scene of the accident.

PRIVATE AMBULANCE USED.

The ambulance of James Ryan, undertaker, was the only private ambulance given over to bringing the injured persons to the Emergency Hospital. Mr. Ryan and Howard S. Fisk, both members of the motor corps of the Home Defense League, made fourteen trips, each time bringing some injured persons to the hospital. The Walter Reed, Public Health Service and Red Cross were also conspicuous by their assistance.

That such a high percentage of the bodies taken from the ruins have been identified is attributed by Lieut. V. M. Parsons of the Marine Corps to the pains taken by the rescuers. They had orders to preserve every possible means of identification.

The work of rescuing the imprisoned pleasure-seekers was carried out in an organized, efficient manner, he explained. The service men were formed into long lines reaching from the street into the heart of the ruins, and pieces of debris passed from one to another out into the street. The masses of reinforced concrete, traversed with heavy iron rods, made the salvaging of the ruins more difficult. It was pointed out. Oxy-acetylene torches and wire cutters were brought into play to separate the huge fragments of concrete, and heavy sledges were used to break them into pieces that could be handled. Mechanics from the navy yard wielded the torches. One case of looting was reported by Lieut. Parsons. The individual was forcibly ejected.

STORIES OF RESCUES.

Graphic description of many individual rescues was given a Star reporter by Lieut. Parsons.

"We were digging into the ruins when we saw a tuft of red hair protruding. Continuing to dig, we managed to uncover a small boy, probably 9 years old. While we were getting him out he told us that his

little sister was beneath the pile of debris also. The girl, about 6 years old, also was rescued. Neither of the children were seriously hurt, through some miracle, but their mother, nearby, was dead.

"Lieut. Col. Taylor, an army officer, was taken out by our men. We started to put him on a stretcher, but he found he could use his legs and turned around to help us in our work.

"Dr. Gearhart, a dentist, was found pinned beneath an I-beam. He told us, as we endeavored to extricate him, that he had been conscious all night in that position. A woman beside him, who was dead, was horribly broken, asked for cigarettes as he was carried out on a stretcher. He joked with his rescuers about his mangled limbs, remarking that he had about 'six legs' now. He was certainly full of grit.

"A group of two women and a man whom we were digging out also displayed remarkable nerve, talking with the men and directing their rescue.

"We were forced to be rather rough with a number of persons who demanded entrance to the ruins in order to find relatives or friends. We wish the Star would express our regret to them for this, but it was the only way we could handle the situation under the trying circumstances."

BEGINS WITH LOUD HIS.

When the crash came last night it began with a loud hiss, followed by a deafening roar. The middle of the roof gave way first. It was followed by the entire roof and the balcony. The fallen balcony covered the pit of the theater. On top of that was the roof.

Before the noise from the crash of falling timbers, concrete and steel was silenced, the agonized shriek and cries for help from those buried beneath the mass began. The screams of hysterical women and of those actually injured were heard for blocks away.

Rescue work began immediately. Those who had escaped by a miracle joined the police reserves and firemen, who reached the scene within fifteen minutes after the crash. There was no light. The blinding snow made the work more difficult. And above everything else came the cries of the injured, many of them completely buried, and out of sight beneath a mass of timbers.

INJURED CARRIED TO HOMES.

Police, firemen and volunteers carried the injured first into houses and stores nearby. Every residence became a dressing station. Doctors throughout the city responded to hurried calls. All available ambulances were sent, but many were unavailable, having broken down during the day in the snow. After they had reached the scene, and when the work of rescue was well under way, the entire field hospital unit from the Walter Reed Hospital, with its fifteen ambulances, was dispatched. Trained soldiers joined the ranks of the rescuers.

Torches, candles and flashlights were brought into play. Pickaxes, iron bars, hammers and saws were taken from the fire apparatus and the rescuers began hacking away at the concrete and wood. One by one the injured were pulled from beneath the mass of timbers and given attention there or put into ambulances and rushed away.

LAST SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED.

Although the standing walls were condemned immediately by the police and all those around warned, the rescue work went on. Three Roman Catholic priests went about and administered last sacrament to the dying.

The heavy wire screen, which in such buildings retains the plaster of the ceiling, accounted for the saving of many in the audience. Some of the rescued were found with their heads sticking out of debris through holes in this screen. In turn, it retarded the rescue work. Many pried beneath this screen had to wait for men with saws and other instruments to cut them out.

When the rescue work was well under way, Company K, 6th Infantry, on guard duty at the Pan-American building, was rushed to the scene to assist the police and firemen in extending a cordon around the ruins. A detachment of marines and the members of the hospital corps from Walter Reed Hospital also assisted in this work. Later fifty troopers came from Fort Myer.

VOLUNTEERS IN DANGER.

Great difficulty was experienced in keeping away from the ruins, and out of danger of the standing walls, the hundreds of volunteers who came from all sections of the northwest to lend aid. Scores of them brought blankets, and from unknown sources hot coffee was brought and passed around to those doing relief work.

The ruins were described as resembling one of the well known pictures of a French cathedral after a heavy shelling. Covered with snow, which fell in a continual downpour, could be seen the projecting pieces of steel and iron work, concrete and wood piled in a great mass. The moving lanterns, the shouts of the rescue workers and the cries and shrieks of the wounded made a picture which must be left to the imagination. A description would only serve to weaken the awfulness of the scene.

The Knickerbocker Theater, standing at what might be described as the very heart of the northwest section, was one of the most modernly constructed and beautiful moving picture theaters in the city. It was one of the Crandall houses. Barry Buckley, one of the owners, was an early arrival at the scene. He told reporters from The Star the building had stood the most severe tests of construction. The weight of the fallen snow was responsible, he said, for the crash.

CALLS UP PHYSICIANS.

Mrs. Dorsey Bush, day telephone operator at the Garfield Hospital, showed some good sense and quick thinking when she was notified of the crash. She immediately got in touch with nineteen city physicians, outlined the catastrophe to them, and requested them to go to the scene immediately.

An idea of the manner in which the victims were caught in the debris is given by Dr. Schoenfeld, one of the physicians who went to the scene. He described the discovery of Dr. Brown, one of the badly injured sitting upright, with the head of Tracey, one of the dead, lying in his lap. He also found two men, whose names he was unable to give, hanging from the balcony by their feet, their bodies crushed in the ruins.

GIVES BLOOD FOR INJURED FRIEND

Dr. F. H. Edmunds, the optician, is on the casualty list by choice in connection with the Knickerbocker theater disaster. He is quite ill from giving a pint of his blood for transfusion to his friend, Dr. Clyde M. Gearhart, who was badly injured in the crash. Dr. Gearhart's wife was killed.

NEW POLITICAL PARTY ORGANIZING IN MANILA

MANILA, January 27.—Preliminary steps were taken today toward formation of a new political party, to be known as the Partido Liberal, which will oppose the Nacionalista party, now in power. The new party is also strongly advocated Philippine independence.

Among its leaders are Manuel Quezon, president of the senate; twelve other senators and seven members of the lower house.

Members of the senate and house recently decided by a large majority, upon individual party leadership, a policy advocated by Speaker Sergio Asmuna and opposed by Quezon. Upon his stand, the party is divided.

Leaders of the partido liberal assert the two minor parties in the Philippines will fuse with the new party, thus uniting opposition to the nationalists, and that the younger generation will support it.

READY TO FIGHT CRITIC.

Mrs. Hahn Prepared to Spend \$1,000,000 to Prove Picture Genuine.

NEW YORK, January 28.—Mrs. Andree Hahn has arrived here from Paris with her husband, Capt. H. J. Hahn, a former American air pilot, prepared, she said, to spend \$1,000,000 if necessary, to prove that "La Belle Ferroniere," which they are trying to sell to the Kansas City Art Institute, was painted by Leonardo da Vinci.

Mrs. Hahn is suing Sir Joseph P. Duveen, art dealer and critic, for \$500,000, claiming he halted sale of the painting by pronouncing it a mere copy of a Leonardo.

ADMIRAL DE BON ILL.

Slight Bronchial Attack Confines French Delegate.

NEW YORK, January 28.—Admiral de Bon of the French delegation to the Washington armament conference, is confined to his rooms in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel here, suffering with a slight bronchial attack. His hotel management, however, said, is not sufficiently serious to necessitate the services of a physician.

BUICK WHISKY PRODUCED.

BUFFALO, N. Y., January 28.—How to make "three-year-old whisky" in three minutes has been demonstrated at a meeting of the city council by Dr. Francis E. Proczak, health commissioner, who said he had produced from potatoes with fusel oil and burnt sugar and produced a whisky which, he said, was commonly retailed for \$6 a quart.

The demonstration was given yesterday at a hearing on an ordinance which would impose a yearly tax of \$25 and require a bond on all places for the sale of soft drinks. City officials charged that many of the so-called soft drink places were selling the spurious whisky.

HUNT FOR VICTIMS IN CITY HOSPITALS

Many Relatives Seek Trace of Those Who Had Been at Knickerbocker.

Local hospitals were besieged today with scores of relatives and friends of the injured and unidentified dead in the Knickerbocker Theater disaster.

With approximately 100 injured persons in local hospitals and many others taken to private homes and doctors' offices for treatment, scores of whom had not notified their relatives after they left for the theater early last evening, the list of injured promised to exceed that figure. At Emergency Hospital alone there were more than thirty injured victims of the accident. Other hospitals housed scores more and the hospital staffs were kept busy from shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, treating injured, many of whom had to be sent to the operating room.

At Emergency Hospital a little three-year-old child was treated. Doctors found she had escaped injury, although she was unable to tell her name. Her escape was regarded as miraculous, as she was removed from under a great pile of debris. Two injured survivors of the accident were sent by Dr. White to their homes, after treatment, just before noon.

Dr. Clyde Gearhart, prominent physician, was brought to the hospital early this morning with both his feet crushed. An operation was necessary, but it was not believed either foot would have to be amputated. Oreste Matillo, a violinist in the orchestra at the theater, was brought to the hospital with a badly crushed arm. Amputation was necessary. His brother, William Matillo, was one of those instantly killed.

Internes and physicians on the staffs of local hospitals were up all night treating the injured. Notwithstanding their long vigil, they kept on the job.

List of Injured.

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Leonard Theunissen, 1700 Columbia road.

Elizabeth Theunissen, nine years old, 1700 Columbia road.

Christiana Thompson, fourteen years old.

Edna Underwood, 2506 K street northwest; at Emergency.

Caroline Upshaw, the octavia, one foot cut off and other will have to be amputated.

Nathan L. L. Long, 2312 20th street, injured about face and arms. At Garfield Hospital.

Alphonso VanPoucke, musician, 508 East Capitol street, cuts, fractures of right arm and shoulder; at Emergency.

Col. C. M. Wesson of 1821 Belmont road northwest, slightly injured.

Nancy Wesson, 1821 Belmont road northwest, left leg fractured; at Walter Reed.

Miss Maureen White, 1828 Columbia road, broken leg.

Edward A. Williams, trombone player, 701 C street, broken leg.

Mrs. Juliette Webb, 2138 California street, slightly injured.

Inez Woodruff, 2109 18th street, right leg broken.

Miss Inez Woodruff of Iowa, lives at 2109 18th street.

Edward A. Williams.

Miss Marie Young, 1802 Belmont street.

Mrs. Joseph Younger, 1465 Columbia road.

Dr. Comdr. Zalaski, medical officer of Marine barracks, and his wife, were slightly injured. They are at their home. Both were in the gallery.

Missing.

Margaret Dutch, Apt. 66, 1740 Euclid street.

Mrs. Margaret French, sister of J. Blumh, gentleman minister.

Miss Mary Lee Fleming, 1801 Wyoming avenue.

Miss Esther Foster, 1713 Lamont street.

Norvan Foster, 1822 Biltmore street.

Eleonor Haley, 1822 Biltmore street.

Dorothy Kanston, 15, 2516 17th street.

Mr. and Mrs. Main Octavia Apts.

Miss Dorothea Murphy, 1800 California street.

Dr. Schenck, lives at Phi Beta Phi fraternity house.

Miss Nina L. Parkins.

LOCKWOOD COMMITTEE ADJOURNS INDEFINITELY

Health of Samuel Untermyer Brings Halt in Probe of New York Housing Conditions.

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, January 28.—The Lockwood legislative committee, named to investigate housing conditions in New York, will adjourn indefinitely today. One reason given for the adjournment is the health of Samuel Untermyer, committee counsel, who leaves under physicians' orders for Florida today. Another was the desire of committee members to get back to the legislature. At yesterday's hearing Mr. Untermyer sought to extract from witnesses the admission that the same companies that insure against loss from burglary also insure against loss from fire. He charged that many of the so-called soft drink places were selling the spurious whisky.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED.

Mother Returns From Mail Box to Find Home in Ruins.

LUDINGTON, Mich., January 28.—Three children, ranging in age from six months to five years, were burned to death when the home of Joseph Desereno at Cass Settlement, Lake county, was destroyed by fire Thursday. It was learned here, Mrs. Desereno left the children alone to walk half a mile to a mail box. Upon her return she found their bodies huddled together in the ruins of the house. The fire is believed to have started from an unattended stove.